REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 6-13, 15-26, and 28-30 are pending. Claims 1, 10, 21, and 28 have been amended and claims 5, 14, and 27 have been canceled. In addition, the Abstract has been amended in the manner suggested by the Examiner.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested for the following reasons.

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that claims 5, 14, and 27 would be considered allowable if re-written into independent form to recite the features of their base and intervening claims. Equivalently, claims 1, 10, and 21 have been amended to recite the features of claims 5, 14, and 27 respectively, and claim 28 has been amended to recite similar subject matter.

Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments are sufficient to overcome the rejections in the Office Action and thereby place the application into condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of all the objections and rejections and furtherance of the application to allowance is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0607 and credit any excess fees to the same Deposit Account.

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